

**Certificate of Appropriateness**

**PROPOSAL:**

Application by Sinclair Hille on behalf of DelRay Ballroom for a certificate of appropriateness for work 817 R Street in the Haymarket Landmark District.

**DISCUSSION:**

Last month the Commission approved a design for an outdoor dining area on the east “alley” side of DelRay Ballroom, and approved wall signs for the north and east facades. The Commission denied approval of a design for improvements on the north façade including a projecting vestibule, sidewalk dining enclosure, and dining balcony. The Commission also declined to endorse a petition to vacate right-of-way for the north improvements.



Shelley Fritz, the owner of DelRay Ballroom, and her architects are working on alternative designs for the proposed improvements and are weighing the options for permitting their installation, including a “use of Right of Way permit” (in lieu of vacation of ROW), and/or a sidewalk café permit. City staff, Ms. Fritz, and architect Liz Kuhlman met April 11, 2013 to review options. Alternative designs are well underway, but are not in-hand at present.

To coordinate the improvements at this property with work on the neighboring sidewalk to the west, the owner has requested a place on the April agenda. If I receive designs prior to the meeting, I will email them to the Commission.